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Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S11127-S11225

Measures Introduced: Thirteen bills were introduced, as follows: S. 1102–1114. Page S11201

Department of Defense Authorizations, 1996: Senate began consideration of S. 1026, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 1996 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, for defense activities of the Department of Energy, and to prescribe personnel strengths for such fiscal year for the Armed Forces, taking action on amendments proposed thereto, as follows:

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Adopted:

- (1) By 94 yeas to 5 nays (Vote No. 351), Kyl/Inhofe Amendment No. 2077, to express the sense of the Senate that all Americans should be protected from accidental, intentional, or limited ballistic missile attack.

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- (2) By 98 yeas to 1 nay (Vote No. 350), Nunn Modified Amendment No. 2078 (to Amendment No. 2077), to express a further sense of the Senate that front-line troops of the United States Armed Forces should be protected from missile attacks.

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- (3) By 62 yeas to 38 nays (Vote No. 353), McConnell Amendment No. 2080, to express the sense of the Senate that the Select Committee on Ethics should follow whatever procedures it deems necessary and appropriate to provide a full and complete record of the relevant evidence in the case of Senator Packwood.

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- (4) Feingold Amendment No. 2082, to express the sense of the Senate that in pursuit of a balanced federal budget, Congress should exercise fiscal restraint.

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- (5) Grassley Amendment No. 2083, to prohibit a waiver of the time-in-grade requirement for a retirement in grade of an officer who is under investigation or is pending disposition of an adverse personnel action for misconduct.

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- (6) Thurmond Amendment No. 2084, to authorize an additional \$228 million for military construction projects.

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- (7) Nunn Amendment No. 2085, to exclude the Associate Director of Central Intelligence for Military Support from grade limitations applicable to members of the Armed Forces.

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- (8) Thurmond (for Thompson) Amendment No. 2086, to allow the transfer of property between the United States Navy and the Port of Memphis, Tennessee.

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Rejected:

By 48 yeas to 52 nays (Vote No. 352), Boxer Amendment No. 2079, to require hearings in the investigation stage of ethics cases. Pages \$11154-84

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the bill, and an amendment to be proposed thereto, on Thursday, August 3, 1995.

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Messages From the House: Pages \$11199-\$11200

Measures Placed on Calendar: Page \$11200

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Record Votes: Four record votes were taken today.

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Recess: Senate convened at 9 a.m., and recessed at 8:26 p.m., until 9 a.m., on Thursday, August 3, 1995. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's RECORD on page S11225.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

APPROPRIATIONS—TRANSPORTATION

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Transportation approved for full committee consideration, with amendments, H.R. 2002, making appropriations for the Department of Transportation and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1996.

FAA REFORM

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Subcommittee on Aviation held hearings on proposals to reform the operation of the Federal Aviation Administration, including the air traffic control system, receiving testimony from Senators Inhofe and Kassebaum; Representatives Oberstar and Lightfoot; Kenneth M. Mead, Director, and Robert Levin, Assistant Director, both of the Transportation Issues, Resources, Community, and Economic Development Division, and Belva Martin, Senior Evaluator, all of the General Accounting Office; Federico Peña, Secretary of Transportation; David Hinson, Administrator, George Donohue, Associate Administrator for Research and Acquisitions, and Monte Belger, Associate Administrator for Air Traffic Services, all of the Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation; Najeeb E. Halaby, Edgartown, Massachusetts, former Administrator, FAA; Phil Boyer, Aircraft Owners and Pilots Association, Frederick, Maryland; Richard Golaszewski, Gellman Research Associates, Incorporated, Jenkintown, Pennsylvania; and Charles M. Barclay, American Association of Airport Executives, Alexandria, Virginia.

Hearings were recessed subject to call.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Committee ordered favorably reported the nominations of John Raymond Garamendi, of California, to be Deputy Secretary of the Interior, and Charles B. Curtis, of Maryland, to be Deputy Secretary of Energy.

ARCTIC OIL RESERVE

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Committee held hearings to discuss leasing portions of Alaska's Arctic coastal plain for oil and gas development and the inclusion of the leasing revenues in the Budget Reconciliation, receiving testimony from John D. Leshy, Solicitor, Department of the Interior; James Schlesinger, former Secretary of Energy; Lawrence Eagleburger, former Secretary of State; Alaska State Senator Drue Pearce, on behalf of the Alaska State Senate and the Alaska State House of Representatives, David R. Cline, National Audubon Society,

Jerry Hood, AFL-CIO, Judy Brady, Alaska Oil and Gas Association, and Sarah James, on behalf of the Gwich'in Steering Committee, all of Anchorage, Alaska; John Shively, Alaska Department of Natural Resources, Juneau: Richard B. Stone, Columbia University Law School, New York, New York, on behalf of the Institute for Public Affairs of the Union of Orthodox Jewish Congregations of America; Edward J. DiPaolo, Halliburton Company, Houston, Texas, on behalf of the National Association of Manufacturers; G. Jon Roush, Wilderness Society, Roger Herrera, Arctic Power, and Russell E. Ginn, Chamber of Commerce of the United States, all of Washington, D.C.; Debbie S. Miller, Fairbanks, Alaska, on behalf of the Alaska Wilderness League, Alaska Center for the Environment, and the Northern Alaska Environmental Center; and Oliver Leavitt, Arctic Slope Regional Corporation, and Delbert Rexford, both of Barrow, Alaska.

Hearings were recessed subject to call.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Environment and Public Works: Committee ordered favorably reported the following bills:

- S. 640, to provide for the conservation and development of water and related resources, and to authorize the Secretary of the Army to construct various projects for improvements to rivers and harbors of the United States, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;
- S. 619, to phase out the use of mercury in batteries and provide for the efficient and cost-effective collection and recycling or proper disposal of used nickel cadmium batteries, small sealed lead-acid batteries, and certain other batteries, with amendments;
- S. 369, to designate the Federal Courthouse in Decatur, Alabama, as the "Seybourn H. Lynne Federal Courthouse;
- S. 734, to designate the United States courthouse and Federal building to be constructed at the southeastern corner of Liberty and South Virginia Streets in Reno, Nevada, as the "Bruce R. Thompson United States Courthouse and Federal Building";
- S. 965, to designate the United States Courthouse for the Eastern District of Virginia in Alexandria, Virginia, as the "Albert V. Bryan United States Courthouse";
- S. 1076, to designate the Western Program Service Center of the Social Security Administration located at 1221 Nevin Avenue, Richmond, California, as the "Francis J. Hagel Building";

H.R. 535, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to convey the Corning National Fish Hatchery to the State of Arkansas;

H.R. 614, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to convey to the State of Minnesota the New London National Fish Hatchery production facility; and

H.R. 584, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to convey a fish hatchery to the State of Iowa.

WETLANDS PROTECTION

Committee on Environment and Public Works: Subcommittee on Clean Air, Wetlands, Private Property, and Nuclear Safety resumed oversight hearings on the implementation of Section 404 (to provide regulatory protection for wetlands) of the Clean Water Act (P.L. 92–500), and S. 851, to reform the Section 404 wetlands permitting program under the Clean Water Act to focus Federal regulatory authority on functioning wetlands and to ensure that citizens can obtain permits within a reasonable period of time, receiving testimony from Janet G. Llewellyn, Florida Department of Environmental Protection, Tallahassee; Paul Scott Hausmann, Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources, Madison, on behalf of the Association of State Wetland Managers; Ernest Hahn, New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection, Trenton; Becky Gay, Alaska Wetlands Coalition, Anchorage; Ted R. Brown, Foundation for Environmental and Economic Progress, Boca Raton, Florida; Robert A. Kuras, The Homestead, Glen Arbor, Michigan; Kevin Martin, Soil and Environmental Consultants, Raleigh, North Carolina; Jonathan B. Tolman, Competitive Enterprise Institute, Walter T. McDonald, National Association of Realtors, Robert G. Szabo, National Wetlands Coalition, and Mark Tipton, National Association of Home Builders, all of Washington, D.C.; William M. Lewis, Jr., University of Colorado, Boulder; Orie L. Loucks, Miami University, Oxford, Ohio; Jan Goldman-Carter, National Wildlife Federation, West Chester; and Mark Davis, Coalition to Restore Coastal Louisiana, Baton Rouge.

Hearings were recessed subject to call.

PERSONAL INVESTMENT PLAN ACT

Committee on Finance: Subcommittee on Social Security and Family Policy held hearings on S. 824, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 and the Social Security Act to provide for personal investment plans funded by employee social security payroll deductions, receiving testimony from David S. Koitz, Income Maintenance Section Head, Congressional Research Service, Library of Congress; Robert J. Myers, former Chief Actuary, Social Security Administration; and Steven J. Entin, Institute for Research on the Economics of Taxation, Michael Tanner, Cato Institute, and Matthew P. Fink, Investment Company Institute, all of Washington, D.C.

Hearings were recessed subject to call.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Governmental Affairs: Committee concluded hearings on the nominations of Jacob Joseph Lew, of New York, to be Deputy Director of the Office of Management and Budget, Jerome A. Stricker, of Kentucky, and Sheryl R. Marshall, of Massachusetts, each to be a Member of the Federal Retirement Thrift Investment Board, William H. LeBlanc III, of Louisiana, to be a Commissioner of the Postal Rate Commission, and Beth Susan Slavet, of Massachusetts, to be a Member of the Merit Systems Protection Board, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf. Mr. Lew, Ms. Slavet, and Ms. Marshall were introduced by Senator Kennedy, and Mr. Stricker was introduced by Senator Ford and Representative Ward.

ANNUAL REPORT OF POSTMASTER GENERAL

Committee on Governmental Affairs: Subcommittee on Post Office and Civil Service concluded hearings to review the fiscal year 1995 activities of the United States Postal Service, and to examine goals for the future, after receiving testimony from Marvin Runyon, Postmaster General, and Michael S. Coughlin, Deputy Postmaster General, both of the U.S. Postal Service.

AUTHORIZATION—ADMINISTRATIVE CONFERENCE

Committee on Judiciary: Subcommittee on Administrative Oversight and the Courts concluded hearings on proposed legislation authorizing funds for the Administrative Conference of the United States for fiscal years 1995 through 1996, after receiving testimony from Thomasina V. Rogers, Chair, Administrative Conference of the United States; Loren A. Smith, Chief Judge, United States Court of Federal Claims; Thomas M. Susman, Ropes and Gray, Washington, D.C.; and James C. Miller III, Citizens for a Sound Economy, McLean, Virginia.

HOUSING FOR OLDER PERSONS ACT

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Constitution, Federalism, and Property Rights approved for full committee consideration, with an amendment, H.R. 660, to amend the Fair Housing Act to modify the exemption from certain familial status discrimination prohibitions granted to housing for older persons.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Labor and Human Resources: Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items:

S. 1028, to provide increased access to health care benefits, to provide increased portability of health

care benefits, to provide increased security of health care benefits, and to increase the purchasing power of individuals and small employers, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. 593, to allow the free export of drugs and medical devices not approved by the Food and Drug Administration for use in the United States to member countries of the World Trade Organization, if certain safeguards are satisfied, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute; and

The nomination of Jeanne R. Ferst, of Georgia, to be a Member of the National Museum Services Board.

INDIAN TRIBAL JUSTICE ACT

Committee on Indian Affairs: Committee concluded oversight hearings on the implementation of the Indian Tribal Justice Act (P.L. 103–176), after receiving testimony from Judge William C. Canby, Jr., United States Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit; Mary C. Morgan, Deputy Assistant Attorney General, Office of Policy Development, Department of Justice; Joann Sebastian Morris, Acting Director, Office of Tribal Services, Bureau of Indian Affairs, Department of the Interior; Margaret Treuer, Bois Forte Tribal Court/Bois Forte Band of Chippewa Indians, Nett Lake, Minnesota; John C. Schumacher, Colorado River Indian Tribes Court of Appeals,

Parker, Arizona; Carey N. Vicenti, Jicarilla Apache Tribe, Dulce, New Mexico; Elbridge Coochise, Edmonds, Washington, on behalf of the National American Indian Court Judges Association; and Joseph A. Myers, National Indian Justice Center, Petaluma. California.

INTELLIGENCE

Select Committee on Intelligence: Committee held closed hearings on intelligence matters, receiving testimony from officials of the intelligence community.

Committee recessed subject to call.

WHITEWATER

Special Committee to Investigate the Whitewater Development Corporation and Related Matters: Committee resumed hearings to examine issues relative to the President's involvement with the Whitewater Development Corporation, focusing on certain events following the death of Deputy White House Counsel Vincent Foster, receiving testimony from Louis G. Hupp, Fingerprint Specialist, Federal Bureau of Investigation, Department of Justice; and Philip B. Heymann, Harvard Law School, Cambridge, Massachusetts, former Deputy Attorney General, Department of Justice.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Seventeen public bills, H.R. 2159–2175; one private bill. H.R. 2176; and four resolutions. H.J. Res. 106, H. Con. Res. 90–91, and H. Res. 209 were introduced. Pages H8308–09

Reports Filed: Reports were filed as follows:

H.R. 1536, to amend title 38, United States Code, to extend for two years an expiring authority of the Secretary of Veterans Affairs with respect to determination of locality salaries for certain nurse anesthetist positions in the Department of Veterans Affairs:

H.R. 1384, to amend title 38, United States Code, to exempt certain full-time health-care professionals of the Department of Veterans Affairs from restrictions on remunerated outside professional activities, amended (H. Rept. 104–226);

H.R. 2108, to permit the Washington Convention Center Authority to expend revenues for the operation and maintenance of the existing Washington

Convention Center and for preconstruction activities relating to a new convention center in the District of Columbia, and to permit a designated authority of the District of Columbia to borrow funds for the preconstruction activities relating to a sports arena in the District of Columbia and to permit certain revenues to be pledged as security for the borrowing of such funds (H. Rept. 104–227); and

H.R. 1445, to amend Rule 30 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure to restore the stenographic preference for depositions (H. Rept. 104–228).

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Motion to Adjourn: By a yea-and-nay vote of 120 yeas to 289 nays with 1 voting "present", Roll No. 609, the House rejected the Obey motion that the House adjourn.

Pages H8183-84

Committees To Sit: The following committees and their subcommittees received permission to sit today during proceedings of the House under the 5-minute rule: Committees on Banking and Financial Services, International Relations, National Security, Small

Business, Transportation and Infrastructure, and Veterans' Affairs.

Page H8194

Labor-HHS-Education Appropriations: House completed all general debate and began reading for amendment on H.R. 2127, making appropriations for the Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, and related agencies, for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1996; but came to no resolution thereon. Reading for amendment will resume on Thursday, August 3. Pages H8194-H8268

Agreed To:

The Porter amendment that reduces by \$2 million the appropriation for State unemployment insurance and service operations, increases by \$4 million the appropriation for Department of Labor departmental management, reduces the Health Care Financing Administration program management appropriation by \$2.29 million, and increases the appropriation for children and families services programs by \$1.3 million;

Pages H8213–14

The Porter amendment that makes a technical correction and exempts individuals from provisions regarding political advocacy; Pages H8214-15

The Crapo amendment that establishes a permanent Deficit Reduction Lockbox for the fiscal year Labor–HHS–Education appropriations bill and all future general appropriations bills (agreed to by a recorded vote of 373 ayes to 52 noes, Roll No. 613); and

Pages H8242–48, H8264

The Greenwood amendment that makes \$193.35 million available for the voluntary family planning project under title X (agreed to by a recorded vote of 224 ayes to 204 noes, Roll No. 615).

Pages H8249-62, H8264-65

Rejected:

The Obey amendment that sought to strike 17 limitations on the use of funds affecting worker protection, women, education, and Political advocacy (rejected by a recorded vote of 155 ayes to 270 noes, Roll No. 611);

Pages H8232-39, H8262-63

The Pelosi amendments en bloc that sought to strike language prohibiting the use of funds by OSHA to develop, promulgate, or issue any standards or guidelines on ergonomic protection; language prohibiting the use of funds by the NLRB to investigate or prosecute any alleged unfair labor practice against an employer, when such charges are based in whole or in part on an employer taking any adverse action against any individuals who are employees of agents of any labor union; and language prohibiting the use of funds by the NLRB to exercise its authority to go to court to seek an injunction unless certain conditions are met rejected by a recorded vote of 197 ayes to 229 noes, Roll No. 612); and

Pages H8239-42, H8263-64

The Livingston substitute to the agreed-to Greenwood amendment that sought to terminate funding for the title X family planning program and transfer \$193.35 million to the maternal and child health block grant and migrant health centers programs (rejected by a recorded vote of 207 ayes to 221 noes, Roll No. 614).

Pages H8249–62, H8264–65

The Stokes amendment was offered but subsequently withdrawn that sought to increase funds available for the school-to-work program by \$5 million.

Pages H8228-32

H. Res. 208, the rule under which the bill is being considered, was agreed to earlier by a yea-and-nay vote of 323 yeas to 104 nays, Roll No. 610.

Pages H8183-94

Agreed to the Solomon amendment to the rule that provides for a total of two and one-half hours of general debate and an additional 90 minutes of general debate on each of the first three titles.

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Middle East Peace Facilitation Extension: House passed H.R. 2161, to extend authorities under the Middle East Peace Facilitation Act of 1994 until October 1, 1995.

Pages H8268-69

Motion To Adjourn: By a recorded vote of 89 ayes to 216 noes, Roll No. 617, rejected the Fattah motion that the House adjourn.

Pages H8280-81

Communications Act: House completed all general debate on H.R. 1555, to promote competition and reduce regulation in order to secure lower prices and higher quality services for American telecommunications consumers and encourage the rapid deployment of new telecommunications technologies; but came to no resolution thereon. Consideration of amendments will begin at a later date.

Pages H8281-95

H. Res. 207, the rule under which the bill is being considered, was agreed to earlier by a yea-and-nay vote of 255 yeas to 156 nays, Roll No. 616.

Pages H8269-79

Senate Messages: Messages received from the Senate today appear on page H8179.

Amendments Ordered Printed: Amendments ordered printed pursuant to the rule appear on pages H8309–10.

Quorum Calls—Votes: Three yea-and-nay votes and six recorded votes developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages H8183–84, H8193–94, H8262–63, H8263–64, H8264, H8264–65, H8265, H8279, and H8280–81. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: Met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 2:19 a.m. on Thursday, August 3.

INTERIOR APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Interior held a hearing on Fish and Wildlife Service Law Enforcement. Testimony was heard from Representatives Chenoweth and Cooley; and the following officials of the Department of the Interior: George T. Frampton, Assistant Secretary, Fish and Wildlife and Parks; and John G. Rogers, Deputy Director, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service.

INSURANCE FUND AND SAVINGS ASSOCIATION INSURANCE FUND— PROPOSALS TO MERGE BANKING THRIFT INDUSTRIES

Committee on Banking and Financial Services: Subcommittee on Financial Institutions and Consumer Credit held a hearing on the financial condition of the Bank Insurance Fund (BIF) and the Savings Association Insurance Fund (SAIF) and proposals to merge the banking thrift industries. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of the Treasury: John D. Hawke, Under Secretary, Domestic Finance; Eugene A. Ludwig, Comptroller, Office of the Comptroller of the Currency; and Jonathan Fiechter, Acting Director, Office of Thrift Supervision; Ricki Helfer, Chairman, FDIC; Alan Greenspan, Chairman, Board of Governors, Federal Reserve System; and public witnesses.

INTEGRATED SPENT NUCLEAR FUEL MANAGEMENT ACT

Committee on Commerce: Ordered reported amended H.R. 1020, Integrated Spent Nuclear Fuel Management Act of 1995.

POLITICAL ADVOCACY WITH TAXPAYER DOLLARS

Committee on Government Reform and Oversight: Subcommittee on National Economic Growth, Natural Resources, and Regulatory Affairs continued hearings on Political Advocacy with Taxpayer Dollars. Testimony was heard from Timothy Flanigan, former Assistant Attorney General, Office of Legal Counsel, Department of Justice; and public witnesses.

OVERVIEW OF UNITED STATES POLICY IN THE MIDDLE EAST

Committee on International Relations: Held a hearing on overview of United States Policy in the Middle East. Testimony was heard from Robert Pelletreau, Assistant Secretary, Near East and South Asian Affairs, Department of State; and RAdm. W. H. Wright, IV, USN, Assistant Deputy Chief of Naval Operations, Plans, Policy and Operations, Department of the Navy.

BEIJING CONFERENCE ON WOMEN

Committee on International Relations: Subcommittee on International Operations and Human Rights held a hearing on the Beijing conference on Women. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of State: Madeleine Albright, U.S. Permanent Representative to the United Nations; Victor Marrero, U.S. Ambassador to the United Nations; and Melinda Kimble, Deputy Assistant Secretary, Bureau of International Organization Affairs.

ACQUISITION REFORM

Committee on National Security: Held a hearing on acquisition reform. Testimony was heard from Steven J. Kelman, Administrator. Federal Procurement Policy, OMB; Colleen Preston, Deputy Under Secretary, Acquisition Reform, Department of Defense; and public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Resources: Ordered reported the following bills: H.R. 1743, to amend the Water Resources Research Act of 1964 to extend the authorization of appropriations through fiscal year 2000; H.R. 238, amended, Ozark Wild Horses Protection Act; and H.R. 1745, amended, Utah Public Lands Management Act of 1995.

SOLE SOURCE BID REQUIREMENTS IN GOVERNMENT CONTRACTS

Committee on Small Business: Subcommittee on Government Programs held a hearing to review the efforts of some to promote "sole source" bid requirements in government contracts. Testimony was heard from Representative Geren of Texas; Dave Privar, Manager of Safety and health, Beltsville Agricultural Research Center, USDA; and public witnesses.

CLARIFYING THE STATUS OF INDEPENDENT CONTRACTORS

Committee on Small Business: Subcommittee on Taxation and Finance concluded hearings on the need to clarify the status of independent contractors, with discussion of the following bills: H.R. 1972, Independent Contractors Tax Simplification Act of 1995; and H.R. 582, Independent Contractors Tax Fairness Act of 1995. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the IRS, Department of the Treasury: Marshall V. Washburn, National Director, Specialty Taxes; and Mary E. Oppenheimer, Assistant Chief Counsel (Employee Benefits and Exempt Organizations); Natwar M. Gandhi, Associate Director, Tax Policy and Administration, GAO; and public witnesses.

COMMITTEE BUSINESS

Committee on Standards of Official Conduct: Met in executive session to consider pending business.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Ordered reported the following bills: H.R. 2145, Economic Development Partnership Act of 1995; and H.R. 2149, Ocean Shipping Reform Act of 1995.

VETERANS LEGISLATION

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Subcommittee on Education, Training, Employment and Housing held a hearing on the following: H.R. 1941, to amend title 38, United States Code, to make clarifying and technical amendments to further clarify the employment and reemployment rights and responsibilities of members of the uniformed services, as well as those of the employer community; legislation on the Housing Loan Programs and Veterans Small Business, and a discussion on LVER/DVOP (Local Veterans Employment Representative/Disabled Veterans Outreach Program Specialist). Testimony was heard from John Vogel, Under Secretary, Veterans Benefits, Department of Veterans Affairs; Patricia R. Forbes, Acting Associate Deputy Administrator, Economic Development, SBA; Preston M. Taylor, Jr., Assistant Secretary, Veterans Employment and Training, Department of Labor and public witnesses.

TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS AND MISCELLANEOUS TRADE PROPOSALS

Committee on Ways and Means: Subcommittee on Trade approved for full committee action technical corrections and miscellaneous trade proposals.

REPORT OF GUATEMALA

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence: Met in executive session to receive a briefing on the Department of Justice Inspector General Report on Guatemala. The Committee was briefed by departmental witnesses.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR THURSDAY, AUGUST 3, 1995

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry, to hold hearings on the nomination of Jill L. Long, of Indiana, to be Under Secretary of Agriculture for Rural Economic and Community Development, and to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Commodity Credit Corporation, 9 a.m., SR–332.

Committee on Environment and Public Works, Subcommittee on Drinking Water, Fisheries, and Wildlife, to re-

sume hearings on proposed legislation authorizing funds for programs of the Endangered Species Act, focusing on incentives for the conservation of endangered species and the role of habitat, 9 a.m., SD–406.

Committee on Foreign Relations, Subcommittee on Near Eastern and South Asian Affairs, to hold hearings to examine United Nation sanctions and Iraqi compliance, 10 a.m., SD-419.

Subcommittee on Near Eastern and South Asian Affairs, to hold hearings to examine Iraqi atrocities against the Kurds, 2 p.m., SD-419.

Committee on the Judiciary, business meeting, to mark up S. 627, to require the general application of the antitrust laws to major league baseball, and to consider the nominations of Joseph H. McKinley, Jr., to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Kentucky, and Evan Jonathan Wallach, of Nevada, to be a Judge for the International Trade Court, 10 a.m., SD–226.

Full Committee, to hold hearings on pending nominations, 2 p.m., SD-226.

Special Committee on Aging, to hold hearings to examine Medicare health maintenance organization (HMO) programs and whether the Health Care Financing Administration is doing enough to ensure that patients receive high quality care when they enroll in such programs, 9:30 a.m., SD–628.

Special Committee To Investigate Whitewater Development Corporation and Related Matters, to continue hearings to examine issues relative to the President's involvement with the Whitewater Development Corporation, focusing on certain events following the death of Deputy White House Counsel Vincent Foster, 9:30 a.m., SH–216.

NOTICE

For a listing of Senate Committee Meetings scheduled ahead, see page E1602 in today's RECORD.

House

Committee on the Budget, hearing on the Administration's Revised Budget, 10:30 a.m., 210 Cannon.

Committee on Commerce, Subcommittee on Health and the Environment, to continue hearings on the Future of the Medicare Program, 10 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

Committee on Government Reform and Oversight, Subcommittee on Human Resources and Intergovernmental Relations, hearing on H.R. 2086, Local Empowerment and Flexibility Act of 1995, 9 a.m., 2247 Rayburn.

Committee on House Oversight, to consider pending business, 10 a.m., 1310 Longworth.

Task Force on Contested Election, hearing on Seventh Congressional District of North Carolina, 1 p.m., 1310 Longworth.

Committee on International Relations, hearing on H. Con. Res. 63, relating to the Republic of China (Taiwan's) participation in the United Nations, 10 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

Committee on National Security, Subcommittee on Military Personnel, hearing on the friendly fire shootdown of Army helicopters over Northern Iraq in April 1994, 10 a.m., 2118 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Military Research and Development, hearing on technology for safety and survivability, 2 p.m., 2212 Rayburn.

Committee on Resources, hearing regarding leasing of the 1002 study area of the Arctic Coastal Plain to oil exploration and development, 11 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

Subcommittee on Fisheries, Wildlife and Oceans, to mark up the following: H.R. 1253, to rename the San Francisco Bay National Wildlife Refuge as the Don Edwards San Francisco Bay National Wildlife Refuge; H.R. 2005, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to make technical corrections in maps relating to the Coastal Barrier Resources System; and Cooperative Fisheries Management Act (Anadromous Fish Convention Act; and Interjurisdictional Fisheries Act), 4 p.m., 1324 Longworth.

Subcommittee on National Parks, Forests and Lands, hearing on the following bills: H.R. 2107, to amend the

Land and Water Conservation Fund Act of 1965 to improve the quality of visitor services provided by Federal land management agencies through an incentive-based recreation fee program; and H.R. 2025, Park Renewal Fund Act, 10 a.m., 1334 Longworth.

Subcommittee on Native American and Insular Affairs, hearing on the American Samoa White-Collar Crime Assessment, 1 p.m., 1100 Longworth.

Committee on Small Business, to continue hearings regarding the implementation of PL 103–355, Federal Acquisition Streamlining Act of 1994, 10:30 a.m., 2359 Rayburn.

Committee on Standards of Official Conduct, executive, to consider pending business, 4 p.m., HT–2M Capitol.

Committee on Ways and Means, Subcommittee on Social Security, to continue hearings to examine malfunctions in the disability program, 9 a.m., B-318 Rayburn.

Next Meeting of the SENATE 9 a.m., Thursday, August 3

Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 10 a.m., Thursday, August 3

Senate Chamber

Program for Thursday: Senate will continue consideration of S. 1026, Department of Defense Authorizations.

House Chamber

Program for Thursday and Friday: Complete consideration of H.R. 2127, Labor-HHS-Education Appropriations for Fiscal Year 1996:

H.R. 1555, Communications Act of 1995; and H.R. 2126, Defense Appropriations for fiscal year 1996.

Extensions of Remarks, as inserted in this issue

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